Date Mailed November 30, 2001

BEFORE THE

PUBLIC SERVICE COMMISSION OF WISCONSIN

Investigation on the Commission's Own Motion Into Recovery of Accounting Deferrals of Wisconsin Electric Utilities Related to the Formation of the American Transmission Company and American Transmission Company Related Operation Costs

05-EI-129

NOTICE OF PREHEARING CONFERENCE

Prehearing Conference Date: Friday, December 7, 2001 – 1:30 p.m.

Conference Location: Public Service Commission, 610 North Whitney Way,

Madison, WI (Amnicon Falls Hearing Room – 1st Floor)

THIS IS A PROCEEDING to investigate the joint application of Madison Gas and Electric Company, Wisconsin Electric Power Company, Wisconsin Power and Light Company, and Wisconsin Public Service Corporation for recovery of deferred costs associated with the formation, startup, and operation of American Transmission Company, LLC (ATC), pursuant to Wis. Stat. §§196.20(2m), 196.37(1), and 196.485.

Earlier this year, the Commission approved the deferral of ATC's incremental, start-up, and operating costs by these utilities. Each applicant now proposes to recover these costs, either through the establishment of an escrow and an annual rate surcharge, or through pending rate cases.

NOTICE IS GIVEN that the Commission will hold a prehearing conference on Friday, December 7, 2001, at 1:30 p.m. in the Amnicon Falls Hearing Room at the Public Service Commission Building, 610 North Whitney Way, Madison, Wisconsin, and continuing at times to be set by the presiding Administrative Law Judge. This building is accessible to people in wheelchairs through the Whitney Way first floor (lobby) entrance. Parking for people with disabilities is available on the south side of the building. Any person with a disability who needs additional accommodations should contact the docket coordinator listed below.

The prehearing conference is being held to: (1) identify persons who will actively participate as full parties; (2) identify issues; (3) determine the date and time for a hearing; (4) specify dates for filing testimony and exhibits; and (5) any other matters that will facilitate the hearing.

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Parties will be bound by the designation of issues and the schedule adopted at the prehearing conference. Persons who consider themselves to be potential parties should participate in the prehearing conference. Any person desiring to become a party shall file a request pursuant to Wis. Stat. § 227.44(2m) and Wis. Admin. Code § PSC 2.32(3) no later than 14 days from the date of this notice. The request shall be addressed to Administrative Law Judge David C. Whitcomb, Public Service Commission of Wisconsin, P.O. Box 7854, Madison, Wisconsin 53707-7854.

This is a Class 1 proceeding as defined in Wis. Stat. § 227.01(3)(a).

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Questions regarding this matter may be directed to docket coordinator Thomas Ferris at (608) 266-1124.

Dated at Madison, Wisconsin,	
By the Commission:	
Lynda L. Dorr	
Secretary to the Commission	

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